

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/822,884	JONES ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Lucas Divine	2624	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment on 2/17/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-4, 6-9 and 11-15.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 3/30/01 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____. |
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Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

**KING Y. POON
PRIMARY EXAMINER**



EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Michael G. Savage on 6/6/2005.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

Claims 5 and 10 are canceled.

Preliminary amendment (9/4/02) canceled claims 5 and 10. Amendment after non-final rejection included claims 5 and 10 as (Original). Applicant has verified this was a mistake and claims 5 and 10 are indeed canceled as indicated in preliminary amendment and non-final rejection.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1 – 4, 6 – 9, and 11 – 15 are allowed and have been renumbered 1 – 13.

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claim 9 is directed to a telecommunication facility with a read only printer and compact service node including linking the printer with appropriate software to activate printer capability of instructions in the compact service node. Claim 9 identifies the uniquely distinct features of "a compact service node" as the implemented system, "r0d" as a specific software identification, and "/dev/dty" as a directory for the linking identifications to be placed. The closest prior art Advani et al. (US Re. 36394) teaches a general system for binding a peripheral (which can be a printer [Fig. 4]) to a host in a UNIX environment. Advani does not singularly or in combination with other art searched anticipate or render the above limitations obvious when used with other claimed limitations. See further applicant's persuasive argument on page 6 of amendment and the pages 10 and 11 in applicant's specification that detail how the software identification and directory names in the specific system have significance.

Claim 14 details the CSN platform at a telecommunication facility and claim 1 is a method for performing linking, both including the specific linking identifications and directory as discussed in the reasons for allowance of claim 9 and are allowed for the same reasons.

Further reasons for allowance for claim 1 include the withdrawal of the 35 USC § 112 rejections due to persuasive and clarifying remarks by applicant on page 5 of amendment.

5. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

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fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

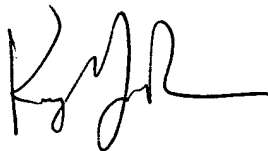
6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Lucas Divine whose telephone number is 571-272-7432. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 7:30am - 5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Moore can be reached on 571-272-7437. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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